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SUBJECT: MUTUAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN US AND
MEXICAN CUSTOMS SERVICES

REF: MEXICO 7865

1. DEPARTMENT PERCEIVES NO OBJECTION TO REVISION OF ARTICLE
13 OF SUBJECT AGREEMENT AS PROPOSED BY GOM AND REPORTED IN
REFTEL.

2. THE ENGLISH VERSION OF THE PROPOSED REVISION OF ARTICLE
13 SHOULD READ AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE:

(1) THIS AGREEMENT SHALL ENTER INTO FORCE 60 DAYS AFTER THE
DATE ON WHICH THE PARTIES NOTIFY ONE ANOTHER BY AN EXCHANGE
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OF DIPLOMATIC NOTES THAT THEY HAVE ACCEPTED ITS TERMS.

(2) THE PARTIES AGREE TO MEET IN ORDER TO REVIEW THIS AGREEMENT AT THE END OF FIVE YEARS COUNTED FROM THE DATE OF ITS ENTRY INTO FORCE, UNLESS THEY NOTIFY ONE ANOTHER IN WRITING THAT NO REVIEW IS NECESSARY.

(3) THIS AGREEMENT MAY BE TERMINATED BY DENUNCIATION BY EITHER PARTY AND SHALL CEASE TO BE IN FORCE SIX MONTHS AFTER THE NOTIFICATION OF THE DENUNCIATION HAS BEEN MADE.

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3. THE ENGLISH AND SPANISH TEXTS OF THE DRAFT AGREEMENT HAVE BEEN COMPARED BY THE LANGUAGE SERVICES DIVISION AND HAVE BEEN FOUND TO HAVE THE SAME MEANING IN ALL SUBSTANTIVE RESPECTS, WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTION:

IN THE ENGLISH TEXT OF ARTICLE 11, LINE 3, THE COMMA FOLLOWING THE WORDS "CREDITO PUBLICO" SHOULD BE DELETED AND THE WORDS "OF MEXICO" INSERTED, SO THAT THE ENTIRE 3RD LINE WILL READ: "ADUANAS DE LA SECRETARIA DE HACIENDA Y CREDITO PUBLICO OF MEXICO MAY..."

4. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO PREPARE FINAL VERSION OF AGREEMENT FOR SIGNING IN MEXICO AT EARLIEST CONVENIENT DATE. AMBASSADOR JOVA IS AUTHORIZED TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE USG AND COMMISSIONER VERNON D. ACREE ON BEHALF OF THE US CUSTOMS SERVICE.

5. PLEASE ADVISE DEPARTMENT AND CUSTOMS OF POSSIBLE DATE FOR SIGNING OF THE MUTUAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE US AND MEXICAN CUSTOMS SERVICES. KISSINGER

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